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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO DIRECT THE PROGRAM EVALUATION DIVISION TO ASSESS THE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROCESS,
INCLUDING MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS, TO DEVELOP OPERATIONAL
PLANS OR PRACTICES THAT WOULD RESULT IN INCREASED OPERATING
EFFICIENCY AND COST SAVINGS.

7 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

8 **SECTION 1.** The Program Evaluation Division of the General Assembly shall 9 assess the Department of Transportation's road construction processes, from project inception to project completion, including design and engineering, median placement process, and 10 maintenance and repair projects, to determine if any cost savings can be effected by changing 11 12 current operating procedures, by modifying the purchasing of building materials, including 13 quantity and quality, by evaluating land purchases or condemnations and the laws, rules, and 14 regulations for land acquisition for easements or setbacks, by evaluating the current and future 15 financing factors associated with transportation projects, by evaluating the selection of transportation projects and vendors for the build process, by evaluating the environmental study 16 process, by evaluating the process for time calculations from project start to finish, including 17 18 the contracting process, and the development of any other plans or practices that, if implemented, would result in increased operating efficiency of the Department of 19 20 Transportation's road construction process, including the maintenance and repairs program.

SECTION 2. The Program Evaluation Division shall submit its findings and recommendations for Section 1 of this act to the Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee, the Joint Legislative Transportation Oversight Committee, and the Fiscal Research Division at a date to be determined by the Joint Legislative Program Evaluation Oversight Committee.

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SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

